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Jack Dempsey knocked out Bob Devre after a round of one minute and fifteen seconds, at Joplin, Mo.

The German government is unanimously opposed to a general election during the war and has submitted a bill prolonging the life of the present reichstag until 1920.

The army casualty list July 4 contained 52 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 9; died of wounds, 6; died of other accidents and other causes, 3; died of disease, 5; wounded severely 26; missing in action, 2; prisoner, 1.

Secretary Daniels was the chief speaker at a night meeting in New York on the Fourth, when a remarkable pageant was staged at the city stadium by the Mayor's Committee of Women of the National Defense.

Two arrests were made at Orange Texas, following a fire that destroyed the plant of the Orange Maritime Corporation, resulting in a \$1,000,000 loss to the plant and a loss of three 2,000-ton schooners valued at \$225,000 each.

England as well as France, joined hands with America in celebrating the Fourth of July. The celebration in London included a baseball between the Navy and Army, attended by King George and the royal family. The Navy won 2 to 1.

Democracy triumphant marched before President Wilson Thursday night in Washington. Ten thousand soldiers, sailors, marines, women and children representing every nation allied against Germany, tramped by the capital. It was the close of a perfect day for Washington, as the entire Fourth was given over to patriotic pageants by citizens of kindred lands in the present struggle.

The allies celebrated the Fourth in befitting manner. The British and Americans opposite Amiens took 1500 prisoners and six square miles of territory. The French near Austreches took half a mile of trenches and 1000 prisoners. The Italians made further advances and took 243 prisoners. The Americans held all new positions taken Tuesday. The day netted about 3,000 Huns who couldn't stand open fighting.

American infantry detachments assisted the Australians Thursday morning in their advance of some ten miles east of Amiens, when they captured the Village of Hamel. The operation was supported by tanks. "We gained and hold the woods of Vaire and Hamel as well as the village of Hamel," says the official statement and adds, "In conjunction with the above, Australians east of the Villersure-Ancre line advanced their line to a depth of 500 yards on a front of twelve hundred yards. More than 1500 prisoners were taken in both operations and many machine guns were captured."

## TREAT CAPTIVE GERMANS KINDLY

French Generous to Prisoners Despite Brutal Course of Enemy.

### ARE GLAD TO BE OUT OF IT

Sight of Long American Columns Destroyed Hun Hopes of Victory—Live Like Happy Family in Prison Camp.

With the American Forces in France, France knows that her prisoners in Germany are treated badly, but German prisoners are treated humanely and even generously in French prisons and even generously in French prisons and even generously in French prisons.

"Oh, what's the use of being brutal to individuals just because some one else is? We wish we could, but we can't."

I have inspected several prisons, some large and some small, and in every one I have found the Germans treated quite as well as civil prisoners in normal times and in many instances better. Officers are not humiliated in any way. In fact they receive better treatment, a stranger would think, than they are really entitled to.

### Prisoners Live Happily.

On a low hill about 1,000 feet from a main road of France stands a prison—five low wooden buildings surrounded by two barbed wire fences, with armed pickets always patrolling outside. Here are 200 Germans, many of them prisoners taken in the early battle of the Somme, but some taken more recently. They are all private and constitute as happy a family as one could find where personal liberty is the one thing desired and denied.

The Germans stood at their barbed fences hours at a time and watched the endless line of soldiers. When it was the blue of France that was moving past the Germans were not particularly interested. They had seen that for years. They know France always has had an endless line of everything needed for war. But when they saw the khaki of America fling or rolling by for a whole day and then for another, and heard the muddy shuffle of feet through the night, there was a change in the dull expression of those German eyes. It was at this time that I went to the prison to learn what they thought of what they had seen. First it should be stated that these prisoners see little of recent developments in the war. They must form their opinions from such fragments of conversation as they hear from their keepers and from what they see, as, for instance, from the long, long line of Americans, the first they had seen.

In this particular prison the newcomers had brought the news situation up to early spring, but as for the big offensive the prisoners knew only that there probably would be one.

### Americans Surprise Germans.

When I asked if there was a German among the two hundred who could speak English, a good looking young man, with a typical Teutonic mustache, red cheeks, a glow of health, was called out. He stepped into my presence like an automaton, clicked his heels together and saluted the French captain. He told me he was a private; that he has a home in Lucerne, Switzerland; that he fought eight months, but was never wounded; that he is in the whole sale dry goods business in Berlin, and that he does business with John Wamaker, Marshall Field and Stern Brothers.

"What do you think of all the Americans you have seen passing here recently?" I asked him.

"I have seen many Americans," he said. "I was surprised that you have so many in France."

Another prisoner, less prepossessing in appearance than the first, was asked about things in general. He spoke English poorly.

"I live in Berlin and work in a bank, but was in the war for two years. When the war is over I am going to Switzerland to live. I would go to America, but they don't like Germans over there any more."

"Why are you going to leave Germany?"

For an answer there was a shrug of shoulders and a half smile, half smile. "Are you satisfied here?"

"It's a lot better than being in a grave where a lot of them are."

### KEEPSAKE GOES FOR BONDS

Oklahoma Man Gives Up Gold Piece He Has Carried for Thirty-Six Years.

Tulsa, Okla.—"I have carried this gold piece with me for thirty-seven years, and I have resisted hunger and temptation to spend it, and have always kept it as a treasure. However, Uncle Sam needs it now, and I willingly let it go as it will help to bring victory to the American arms."

This was the statement of W. H. Martin of this city as he deposited a \$10 gold piece at the post office window and asked for some baby bonds.

## HOW THIS NERVOUS WOMAN GOT WELL

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### ERROR STAMPS BRING \$20,000

Inverted Airplane on New Impression Creates Big Value—Bought by Colonel Green.

New York.—A sheet of 100 of the new postal airplane stamps, but with the airplane turned upside down through an error made by the bureau of engraving and printing at Washington, has been purchased for \$20,000 by Col. E. H. R. Green of Texas, son of the late Hettie Green. Over a window counter at the post office in Washington this sheet sold for \$24.

So far as is known here, this is the only sheet that escaped the vigilance of the Washington postal authorities.

Colonel Green said here he planned to retain a portion of the sheet for his collection and dispose of the other stamps among his friends. It is predicted by philatelists that if the sheet proves to be the only one in existence and the government ownership, the stamp will attract a philatelic value of \$25.

### Varieties of Mistletoe.

There are more varieties of mistletoe growing about the world than could be named in a column of newspaper print, but the commonest in America is that which the botanist, Nuttall, named after the Greek fashion, "tree thief," or phoradendron.

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## BLASTS KAISER'S HOPE OF VICTORY

Italian Invents Canned Lightning Capable of Destroying Trenches of Enemy.

### TERRIBLE ENGINE OF DEATH

Claimed Invention Could End War in Thirty Days and Allies Could March Unchallenged Into Berlin. Tests Prove Its Value.

Rome.—The Kaiser's dream of victory and world supremacy may be blasted out by "canned lightning," a terrible death engine invented by an Italian scientist. Dazzling swords of fire, more deadly than are highest explosives, followed by annihilating explosions, are capable of destroying enemy trenches with one blinding flash, according to his claims. Mine sweepers equipped with this device could fire mines thousands of yards distant. On the land, "canned lightning" could be used to form a most successful barrage and could wipe out the defenders of German trenches with unerring certainty.

The scientist is credited with having discovered a means of concentrating and reflecting electric rays in such a manner as to produce the results described. It is reported that this inventor has proved to representatives of his government that electric current can be concentrated and directed in rays.

### Tests Held on Banks of Tiber.

In describing the results of these tests, held on the banks of the historic Tiber, F. H. Randall, writing in the Illustrated World, says that the scientist was asked to turn through a three-inch plank of hardwood. In an instant the writer says, the plank was seared and broken as if it had been broken by lightning.

Officials then asked the scientist to explode two bombs, one hidden along the bank of the river and the other in the bed of the stream. Within ten minutes the bomb along the bank exploded. It required a much longer time to explode the other bomb, but this, too, was finally accomplished. The entire outfit used by the inventor was placed on a single small barge.

An approximate idea of the power of the electric electricity may be obtained by watching an electric furnace at work. Instead of the hardest steel like putty, to flash such a flame through an agricultural submarine, battleship or a trench would leave a total wreck. Mines placed in the North sea by the Germans could be eliminated and mine sweepers could destroy these hidden dangers of the sea within thousands of yards of the shore.

### Death to Airplanes.

In a graphic description, Mr. Randall paints a picture of what would happen with this machine to action. Every enemy airplane or any fleet of them would fall to earth, a crumpled wreck. At the touch of a button, a bomb would suddenly explode with irresistible speed. A few seconds more would be all that would be left of what had been a soaring airplane, a few minutes before.

A scout could lurk with his deadly weapons, connected with the generator and concentrators behind the lines in shell holes or craters in "no man's land." When the enemy charged he could sweep the whole line as it passed, annihilating each successive wave of advancing Germans.

Mr. Randall says that he can't say that this has been done or will be done, but he doesn't dare to suggest that it cannot be accomplished. Light, heat and rays of other kind can be reflected. He concludes by saying:

"Once this problem is solved there will be no war. If the allies were possessed of equipment that would permit the arcing at a distance of powerful electric currents, the war would be won in 30 days and allied troops would be marching unchallenged into Berlin."

### TAXICAB DRIVERS KNIT BUT THEY ARE WOMEN

Cleveland, O.—One of the least surprising thing to be seen on the streets of Cleveland now is a taxicab driver calmly sitting in a taxi at its stand, purring and drooping while sox and sweaters develop before your eyes. But the drivers are girls, for Cleveland is rapidly getting a large proportion of its day drivers from the other sex.

### "NO CHILDREN" RULE BANNED

Landlords in Seattle Are Appealed to Remove Signs From Their Buildings.

Seattle, Wash.—"No Children Allowed" signs must be removed by Seattle landlords from their properties, according to J. W. Spangler, vice president of the Seattle chamber of commerce. He has issued an appeal to rooming house proprietors, hotel men and owners of rental properties, declaring that owing to the scarcity of quarters for shipyard workers and others engaged in war work the situation in this city is becoming alarming.

## AIR MAIL SERVICE HEAD



Capt. A. C. Weidenbach, recently appointed head of the government's airplane mail flyers, has seen three months' service abroad as a flyer with the American expeditionary forces. He went over as a private about a year ago. His present appointment is only temporary, as it is expected that within a short time he can easily develop the mail service to point where it can be turned over to a successor.

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### Birds' Nest Soup.

The birds' nests from which the famed Chinese soup is made are built by a species of swallow that abounds on the coasts of Java, Ceylon and Borneo, and consists of a gelatinous substance obtained from marine plants. The nests are boiled either in chicken broth or in milk of almonds, and the result very much resembles vermicelli soup, except that it is far more costly.

### Importance of the Follower.

Not all can be leaders; some must follow, notes a writer. It may be that you are eminently qualified to follow the leadership of some one. If so, follow gracefully. The follower is none the less honorable, none the less important, none the less admired.

### Right of Choice.

You cannot always choose your associates, but you can select your companions, observes a sage. Circumstances may throw you with people who are distasteful to you, but circumstances cannot force you to take them to your hearts and into your confidence. Choice is stronger than environment. Wherever you are, you always have the privilege of choosing.

### Live Right.

Right living and the right kind of work have changed many a stunted boy into a well-developed man, asserts an educator. Spiritual growth is not greatly aided by sitting down and thinking about it. Live in the sunshine of trust. Rely on a strength higher than your own. Reach out helpfully to others, and growth in the divine life will look after itself.

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Beyond the Law.

An Ohio judge says there is no law against a man's making a fool of himself. Even the law rarely attempts the impossible.—Houston Post.

CAMERA LOCATES SUNKEN VESSELS.

A powerful electric submarine camera that a New York man has invented is expected to get as much information about sunken vessels in a short time as it would take experienced divers days to gather.

Robert Porter Piercy, of Trigg county, was slightly wounded in France June 3.

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